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In re application of:

SKEIKY and GUDERIAN

Application No.: 09/684,215

Filed: October 6, 2000

For: METHODS OF USING A
MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS
CODING SEQUENCE TO FACILITATE
STABLE AND HIGH YIELD
EXPRESSION OF THE
HETEROLOGOUS PROTEINS

Examiner: Liu, Samuel Wei

Art Unit: 1653

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 17, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for extension of time to respond for one month, from July 17, 2003, to August 17, 2003, is filed concurrently.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.